

# Prognostication

For the Year of our LORD, 1696

Being Selfextile, or Leap Year.

And from the Creation of the World, 5591

Containing the moveable Feasts: the Eclipses: the Changes of the Moon, with the  
the whole known Fairs of  
With several other things worthy of the noticing.

Being most fully for the most parts of the Kingdom of Scotland,  
more especially for our City of GLASGOW, where  
Pole-arrick is elevated 56. deg. 6. min.

By a Well-wisher in Astrology. H. S.



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Universal Deluge	3645
The first King of Scotland	3989
Building of Solomon's Temple	2825
It was built by Romulus	2713
The Scots entered Albion	2448
The building of Edinburgh Castle	2114
The last destruction of Jerusalem by Vespasian	2016
The Christian Faith was received in Scotland	1627
The building of the high Church of Glasgow	1486
The first invention of Guns	498
The invention of printing in Europe, before in China	317
The College of Glasgow was built	256
The appearing of the new star in Cassiopeia	241
The Gun-powder Treason, November 5.	123
The birth of King CHARLES the 1 <sup>st</sup>	94
The Duke Hamilton's engagement	66
The great fire in Glasgow	48
The last great Plague in London	44
The great fire in London	30
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The Birth of King William Novemb. 4. 1650.	11
The Birth of Queen Mary April 30. 1662.	48
The Arrival of K. William to England Nov. 5. 1688.	34
The Proclamation of K. William and Mary at Edinb.	
Common Noes and memorable Events this Year, 1696.	

Prime, or Golden Number	
Dominical Letter	E
The Epact	
Fastens-even, which in England is called	
Shrove-tuesday	February
Ash Wednesday or the Morn.	
Patch, or Easter	April
Whitsunday as aforesaid	May

By Act of Parliament, 22 July, 1690. the Term of Whitsun is appointed to be always kept the 15. day of May yearly, in time coming. And Martinmas as formerly was, on the 11. November.

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In this Year, 1696. there will be two <sup>begin</sup> viz. of the Moon.

**T**He first will be on the 6. of May being wednesday at Noon.

The last will be on the 30 day of October being Friday, minurs past 4 in the morning.

*A Description of the four Seasons of this Year 1696.*

**T**He Spring quarter begins on March, the 10. day at four o'clock in the morning which is the suns entrance into Aries being on Tuesday.

The Summer Quarter begins on Thursday being the 11. of June.

The Harvest Quarter begins on Sunday, being 13 of September

The winter quarter begins on Friday, being the 11. of Decem.

*The four Termly Quarters of this Year 1696.*

**T**He first termly Quarter begins on Sunday, and is called Candlemas-day. being the second of February.

second Quarter begins on May 1. being Friday.

Third Quarter begins on August 1. called Lambas-day, being Saturday.

The fourth and last Termly Quarter begins on November 1. which is called Hallow-day, being Sunday.

**The changes of the Moon, with the disposition of the Weather, for this year 1696.**

**xxxi. January begins on Wednesday.**

The Sun riseth 25. min. after 8. and sets 35. min. after 3.

Second qu. on Wednesd. the 1 day, past at noon.

Full Moon on Thursd. the 9 day, 17 m. past 8 in the morning.

Last qu. on Frid. the 17. day, 19 m. past 11 in the forenoon.

Change on Thursd. the 23. day, 20 m. past 4 in the morning.

Second qu. on Frid. the 31. day, 48 min. past midnight.

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h frost and snow to the 7  
the 14; cold and sleety, with some snow,  
moze temperat, from that to the 27 moze  
cold, the moneth endeth with moze seasonable

once every morning (throughout this month) for three hours  
dinner, a little quantity of honey of Roses, for it doth very  
comfort the stomach and cleanse the body of choler and flegm,  
to driak good Ale, with these Spices; viz. Grains, Ginger,  
sumecs, Cloves, and such like, are greatly commended this moneth,  
for the preservation of health.

The first Fair in the year is *S. Naugblans*, at the Kirk of Be-  
thelny, in Gerry, upon the 7. day. *S. Mungo* in Glasgowe the  
13. day a fair; and at *Dunkel* and *Kilwinning* the 12. day.

The sun riseth 26. min. after 7. and sets 34. min. after 4.

**Exix.** February begins on Saturday.

Full Moon on Saturd. the 8 day, 58 m. past 3 in the morning.

Last qu. on Sund. the 16 day, 13 m. past 1 in the morning.

Change on Saturd. the 22 day, 17 m. past 3 in the afternoon.

Second qu. on Saturd. the 29 day, 58 m. past 10 in the forenoon.

This moneth beginneth with such weather as the o-  
ther endeth till the 10. day, thence to the 13 moze calm and  
temperat, to the 17 rainy with some sleet, from the 28  
to the end dark and misty.

You may safely take Pills in this moneth for purging of the head,  
and if well composed, they are very necessary, because the head is more  
grieved, pained dull, and heavy in this moneth, than any other time  
of the year: and to eat honey with bread in this moneth is much com-  
mended, for that the same doth purge the breast and bladder.

The first day at *Abernethy* & *Forres* in *Murrayland*, called  
*S. Brides day*. On *Candlemas day* in *Bamff*, *Dunkel* *Dieg-*  
*wal*, *Dorogias*, the 2. day. *Valentins day* in *Linlithgow* 14 day  
and *Forfar* the 15. holding eight days. *Ashwednesday* fair begin  
on *Faslen-even* at *Lanerk* the same day, *Vally-field* the 14. day

**Exxi.** March begins on Sunday.

The Sun riseth 17. min. after 6. and sets 33. min. after 5.

Full Moon on Mond. the 9 day, 30 m. past 9 at night.

Last qu. on Mond. the 16 day, 48 min. past 10 in the forenoon.

Change

Change on mund. the 23 day, 55 minurs past 11.  
Second qu. on mund. the 30 day, 51 min. past 10 in

This moneth begins cold to the 7 day, to the  
what windy, from that to the 21, raw frost, with  
snow: thence to the end fair and dry

For your health this moneth, it is good: to use well spiced meats  
all things that purge and sweeten the blood, because then blood sties  
and increaseth in the body: Also to eat often the herb Pennyroyal  
which heats the stomach, and helps digestion: and in all your sauces  
the herb Betony is good, for it clears the sight, and strengthens the  
head, and Leeks amongst your Broath is good.

S. Monence in Aberdene; Dumfermling, Abercherder and  
S. Marnoch Kirk the first day, at Pattenween the 3. S. Duthes  
in Tane of Ross the 9. in Auchertuel and Innerness the 10. S.  
Gausman the 12. day: S. Patrick in Dumbarton, and at the Kirk  
of Strageeth and at Kirkadie a fair of horse, neat & sheep, &c.  
the 16. day; in S. Johnston the 19. Cuthbert in Langton of  
the Mers the 20. day: Lady-day in Westweems Bamff, Auch.  
termuchts the 25. Midlentron fair at Banchrie, on thursday  
before Midlentron sunday; Palmsunday at the Kirk of Forrig,  
and in S. Johnston; and Skierthursday fair is upon thursday be-  
fore Good-friday at Cowper of Angus, otherwise Monks Cow-  
per a fair in Forres, called S. Marks fair, the first tuesday after  
Easter yearly.

**Exx.** April begins on Wednesday.

The sun riseth 7. min. past 5. and sets 53. min. past 6.

Full Moon on tuesd. the 7 day, 8 m. past 3 in the afternoon.

Last qu. on tuesd the 14 day, 55 min. past 5 at night.

Change on tuesd. the 21 day, 47 min. past 11 in the forenoon.

Second qu. on wednesd. the 29 day, 19 min. past 4 in the morn.

This moneth begins with fair weather the first 9  
days, thence to the 16. pleasant warm weather, with  
some showers, to the 27. more windy, the rest of the  
moneth endeth with seasonable fair weather.

Most ordinarily when Venus is retrograde in the Spring time, as  
she is now. is body a rainy Seed time; but I expect that the Trine of  
the Sun with Saturn may mitigate it in a part: you ought for your  
health this moneth to drink but moderately, because excessive drinking,



is the blood in this moneth, than in any other: However  
rink first in the morning before you eat any thing: & goods  
eat Betony and Mint prepared in honey.

Oies fair at the Kirk of Cruden the first Tuesday; at Lesic on  
sday before Easter; in Corstorphine the first Tuesday after Easter  
fair. A new fair in Kirkintilloch the 15. of Horse neas, &  
sheep, and several other Commodities, S. Donald fair at the  
Kirk of Auchterless the 17. in Old Aberdeen on Skirethurs-  
day. S. Mark Evangelist in Dysert the 23. Beltanday the first  
the 26. a fair at Rugland the 28. continuing four days; at Leven  
the 29. day, and in Kilroni the 30. day, at Errowstownness the  
first Tuesday after Pasch.

Whiles in March, and whiles in April.

Skirethursday before Pasch in Old-Aberdene, Glasgow  
Dunbartan, Cowper of Angus, Elgin of Murray. Pasch  
munday in Cowper of Fife, Lanerk and Irwing, Loro-sunder  
after Pasch in Killimure; and all the week after at the Senzie of  
S. Andrews.

**XXI. May begins on Fryday.**

The Sun riseth 4. min. after 4. and sets 56. min. past 7.

Full Moon on wednesd. the 6 day, past 12 at noon.

Last qu. on wednesd. the 13 day, 22 min. past 11 at night.

Change on wednesd. the 20 day, 24 min. past 10 in the forenoon

Second qu. on thursd. the 28 day, 56 min. past 7 at night.

The first 4 or 5 days good warm showers, thence to  
the 13. brave hot weather, thence to the 19 some wily  
gloumie and misty, to the 25. warm rains; the moneth  
endeth with pleasant warm weather.

In this moneth wash often thy face with fair running water  
to drink clarified Whey, with cool herbs, is very healthful un-  
to stomachs; your Wine mixed with Goats Milk, to anoint be-  
the head and breast, is greatly commended, and to sleep a little af-  
dinner in this moneth is not discommended.

The first day called S. Philip, a fair in the Grange within  
Sheriffdom of Linlithgow. Also a fair at the new Church  
Kilpatrick, free of custom for seven years. Holy Cross day the  
cond Beltan in Montrose, Kinrobert. Rude fair in Elton, &  
Pechin

Peebles the 3, at Ranfrew of horse, neat, & other  
3 years. a fair of horse, neat & sheep, & other  
at the Glachen in nether Lorn the 2, wednesday  
day at Carlouk the tenth at Bamsf, and at Kirkaldie  
neat and sheep, &c. the 16 day: in Leslie on thursday  
Whitsunday: Sterling fair ten days before Whitsunday  
Stronhyve upon tuesday before Whitsunday, with a weekly me-  
cat every thursday.

Whiles in May, and whiles in June.

Whitsunday in Glasgow, Dumbarton, Lanerk and Jed-  
burgh. Whitsuntuesday, called Pardon day, in the Chanrie of  
Ross, Peterhead and at the Kirk of Ninians above Kirkaldie,  
and Borrowstounness. Trinity munday in Edinburgh & Brie-  
chin 8 days, in S. Andrews one day, in Burntisland one day. A  
fair in the burgh of Linlithgow the first thursday after whitsun-  
day. Trinity tuesday in Rugland, lasting two days, Trinity  
thursday in Falkland.

**Item.** June begins on Monday.

sun riseth 22. min. past 3. set, 38. min. after 8.

Full Moon on Frid, the 5 day, 13 min past 10 in the forenoon.

Last qu. on Frid, the 12 day, 51 min. past 3 in the morning.

Change on Frid, the 19 min. past 11 in the forenoon.

Second qu. on Saturd. the 27 day, 24 min. past 2 in the afternoon

This moneth begins with warm weather to the 9  
day, from thence to the 16 some dropping showers, from  
that to the 19. some claps of thunder, and to the end  
pleasant hot weather.

For health, eat such meats as be light of digestion, and all this  
moneth glut not the stomach, but arise from the table with an appetite,  
arise betimes in the morning, and exercise your body with some long  
walk, to wash the feet this moneth often in cold water is commended.

A fair in Kinross the first tuesday of June, and in Bigger, of  
horse, neat and sheep, and other commodities. Bernard fair the  
second tuesday: in Stramiglo, Aberdour & Enmerkeitbing the  
8. A weekly mercat in Forfar, beginning the 8. of June, of neat  
sheep: horse, &c. continuing till the first of October. A fair in For-  
gandy

Barnabie in Lawder and Dyfert, Doreglaw,  
 in Grinock the 11. day. S. Margaret in Aber-  
 deen in Fife the 13. midsummer on S. Johns daie in  
 Johnston five daies, in Wigtons Bamff, and  
 belston the 14. In Scone 3. daies with an weeklie market,  
 and in Auchtermueil and Clackmannan and Bocklie in the  
 parish of Rippen the 15. Saint Margaret in Duinfermling, and  
 at Moffat the 18. day in which place there is a weeklie mercat  
 every fridaie, Earlsfoun the 19. Methil the 22. daie In Kirkin-  
 tilloch of Horse sheep and other Commodities, on the 24. Midsum-  
 mer day in Hawick in the South, hard by the river of Tweed for  
 Horse, sheep, oxen, and neat; &c. On the 14. daie, together with  
 a weekly mercat daie always upon the thursdaie. Also in forres,  
 Townyetam on the border the 24. daie, of Horse, Neat and  
 sheep, &c. The 24. with a weeklie mercat. In alathie in Angus,  
 called S. Emagola the 25. S. Peters day at Forfar the 26. hold-  
 ing four daies. Also in Falkland, Burntland, Bamff, and  
 Kelfo the 26. Gallashiels the 27. In Peebles the 29. S. Serif-  
 fair the last tuesdaie of this moneth. S. John baptist day a fair in  
 Frazerburgh the 24. day. There is also a fair called S. Marys  
 grats fair on the third tuesdaie of this moneth upon the Mains of  
 Keith-hall sometimes called Caskiben, continuing the whole week  
 and to be custom free for two years. Also in Air the last  
 tuesday of this month, and to continue that whole week for Wool,  
 Horses, Kine, and other merchandable Commodities.

xxxj. July begins on Wednesday.

The Sun riseth 32 min. past 3. and sets 28 min past 8.

Full Moon on saturday the 4 day, 48 min past 5 at night,  
 Last qu. on Saturday the 11 day, 10 min. past 10 in the forenoon.  
 Change on Sunday the 19 day, 25 min. past 1 in the morning.  
 Second qu. on Friday the 24 day, 14 min past 4 in the morning.

This moneth begins very hot and warm to the 8 day,  
 thence to the 13. some growing showers, thence to the  
 23 fair and dry, the rest of the moneth exceeding hot, with  
 some claps of thunder.

The smallest and weakest Drinks are best this month, to be used sa-  
 ving against cholera, and to eat every morning a little Sage with a  
 bit of Bread is good.



An yearly faire At Edgerstoun in Croydale, the first day, of July. Abernethy & Auchtermuchty the 2. day in Ross-Harris the first Tuesday of July, holding there a new Buils Herbor for shipping. In Kirkintilloch of horse, and several Commodities the 3. S. Martin of Butzeon 4 day. A fair in Peter-head, the first Tuesday in Dundie a new fair. S. Thos. Langnewtoun, mid way betwixt Jedburgh and melros the 5. day. S. Palladius in Foden of the Meris the 6. S. Andrew in Glasgow the 7. S. Lawrence at Grinock the 11 day. Kilwinning the 12 day. S. Margares in Frenndraught, and Aiky fair in Old Deer, both on the 2. Tuesday. A fair at Borrowstounness the second Wednesday. S. Margaret in Killimure the 13. six days at the Kirk of Forrig, in Tarvet the 3. tuesday, in Moffat and Kirkadie a fair of horse, neat, and sheep the 18. July a new Fair in Rugland, Horse, Cows, Wool & other comodities, the 18. Stirling the 20. Mary Magdalen in Lialithgow, Petermween at Path-head the 22. In Airth the 24. S. James in Forfar, Comper of Fife, Lanerk, Roxburgh, Kinghorn, Elgin in Murray, and in Musselburgh the 25. Pollinar fair in Inverury; and Lambas fair in Turreff, both on the last tuesday. The last thursday of July a fair in Lesly, and at Whitehorn two days. S. Christina in Corstorphin a fair the 24 day.

### xxxj. August begins on Saturday.

Sun riseth 26. min. past 4. and sets 34. min. past 7.

Full Moon on mund the 3 day, 7 min past 1 in the morning.

Last qu. on Sund the 9 day, 10 min. past 6 at night.

Change on mund the 17 day, 55 min. past 4 at night.

Second qu. on tuesd. the 25 day, 48 min. past 4 at night.

From the first to the 10 hot and dry; thence to the 19 some wind; and claps of thunder, thence to the 25 uncon-  
stant weather, the moneth endeth fair and dry.

Sleep but little in the day time all this moneth, to eat sage any way is profitable for the body, as also Chickens and Veal, for they much comfort the body, and use often to eat Cinnamon in your meats; Our Fore fathers were used to help many Infirmities of the body, by anointing the same with an Ointment made of Penny-royal Rue, Pennel, Smallage, the Seeds of Hyssop, Bay-berries and Alum, unto which they added Oyl Olive, tempering all together with Honey: To eat Lettuce, and all other things that be celd of quality, are this moneth very good.

Lambas

Tuesday balding three days, and in Milroig,  
 King, St. Andrews, and in Dumbarton the first day,  
 once fair in Rane the first Tuesday, the 2. Tuesday at Jed-  
 burgh, after in Falkland, S. Lawrence in Selkirk,  
 Auchtermuchty, Forres and Garwath the 10. In Kirkcintilloch  
 of horse, and sheep, and other Commodities to the 12. In  
 Rane two days before Kilmahug: Lady day in Dundee, Mary  
 Merne and Vally-field, Mary day the first at Monymusk the  
 14. at Rugland the 20. in Scoon the 22. S. Bartholomew A  
 postle in Linlithgow, Clackmannan & Peebles all on the 24.  
 S. Zepherus in Corborphin the 26. Semaritus day in Forres  
 27 S. John's day in S. Johnston and Lauder the 29. at Kin-  
 kairn of Neil, the last Tuesday, at Stranaver in the reunds of Gal-  
 loway, and Hook fair at Lanerk the last Friday.

### IX. September begins on Tuesday.

The Sun riseth 35. min. past 5. and sets 25. min. past 6.

Full Moon on Tuesday the 1 day, past 1 in the morning.

Last qu. on Tuesday the 8 day, 52 min. past 5 in the morning.

Change on Wednesday the 16 day, 8 min. past 9 at night.

Second qu. on Thursday the 24 day, 24 min. past 4 in the morning.

Full Moon on Wednesday the 30 day, at midnight.

This moneth begins with fair weather to the 7 day  
 then to the 11 dark, enclining to rain, to the 23 good fair  
 weather, the moneth ends with showers and some wind.

The flower of Cassia now drawn is highly commended, for it gently  
 purgeth and comforts Nature, and use Cordial Powders in all your  
 Broths, these preserve the Body sound till the next Spring: Good  
 Milk and Pomegranats eaten this moneth, are commendable, for they  
 they both increase Blood, and causes a good Color,

St. Giles fair in Elgin the 1. day, in Moffat the 2. Same  
 rivis in Keith the 1. Tuesday in Skirling the 4. day, latter La-  
 day in Dundee, Stirling, Banff and at the town of Inverness  
 all on the 8. d. in Auchtermuchty & Saline the 11. d. at Mon-  
 ymusk, and at the Kirk of Auchindorn the 21. Tuesday, Rude  
 at Inverness Dumfermling and Leith the 14. d. at Forres  
 and Chappel of Dine in Cathness the 15. d. a fair at Pitlisie  
 day, A fair at Kirkaldy the 20 day, with a weekly Mark-  
 every Wednesday, Matthew Apostle in Linlithgow the 21. day

a fair in Carlil, Jedburgh, Dumfermling, Dun-  
non 24 at Leven, Nicolson, Trnemt, & Luningnew  
the 27. S. Michael in Frendraught, Haddington,  
S. Andrews, Crief, Kirkabright, Galashiels, Kirk of Eo  
and at Renfrew, all on the 29 S. Marks day in Rose bks  
at the kirk of Kinkel, Gifer, & Fraserburgh all on the last tuesd,  
St. Jeronim in Bamff the last day.

**Lxxj. October begins on Thursday.**

The sun riseth 45 min. past 6, and sets 15 min. past 5.

Last qu. on wednesd. the 7 day, 48 min. past 8 at night.

Change on frid. the 16 day, 52 min. past 2 in the morning.

Second qu. on frid. the 23 day, 37 minuts past at noon.

Full Moon on frid. the 30 day, 10 minuts past 4 in the morning

This moneth begins with raw frost to the 8 day, then  
to the 13. cold and windy, with some rain, thence to the  
25 temperat, the rest of the moneth high winds.

It is good to eat only roasted meats all this month, Goats milk is held  
to be excellent good, because it purifieth the blood, & cleanseth the lungs

The 1, 2, 3. a fair in Salt Preston, the first Tuesday in Dundee a  
new fair. S. Francis in Abernethy and Vallyfield the 4. Also in Air  
the first tuesday of this month, and to continue that whole week for  
Wool, Horses, Sheep, and other merchandable Commodities. An  
fairly fair at Edgworthston in Fivingsdale upon the 5th, Dionyse in  
Peebles, Earston, Kirkmilloch, Aiton, Auchtermuchty, Ceres  
in Fife, Killimure and Moffat the 9. In Kirkmilloch of Horse  
sheep and other Commodities the ninth. A fair of Horse, neat and  
sheep and other merchand ware at the Clachan in neiber Loon  
the second wednesday in Octob. Dalkeith & Pillibol the 10. In  
Aberkething the 12. day, Kenduc at dunnin the 13. in Forcanden the  
15. day, at Musselburgh & Borrowstonneß the 16. with a weekly  
market the munday and friday. S. Luke in Lawder, Kintross, Rugland  
the 18. day. Townyeaton on the border the 20. of horse, neat, sheep, and a  
weekly market. S. Irene in Corstorphin and at the Kirk of Carlouk  
the 20. with a weekly market every wednesday: and at Linton in  
Tweddal, of horse, neat and sheep, and other merchandise, with a week-  
ly market every wednesday for all time coming, of all sorts of goods, &  
gear, the 20. A fair at new church of Kitpatrick, of horse, neat, lins,  
cloath, &c. free of custome for 7. years, 21. Mary Salamin in Stray  
lin.

22. A fair at Forfar and in Linlithgow the 24. in  
 Stramiglio the 25. Fowls fair in Pasley, and Falkirk  
 fair at Balgrochan in the Parish of Campsie all on the 25  
 and Jude in Dysers, Falkirk, Gokani, Kirkliston, Bigger  
 Hawick the 28 in Alloway the 29. The last Thursday of this month  
 fair in Whitburn holding two days.

**XX. November begins on Sunday.**

The Sun riseth 53. min. past 7. and sets 7. min. past 4.

Last qu. on Frid. the 6 day, 20 minutes past 4 in the afternoon.

Change on Saturd. the 14 day, 55 minutes past 6 at night.

Second qu. on Saturd. the 21 day, 11 min. past 8 at night.

Full Moon on Saturd. the 28 day, 57 min. past 5 at night.

This month begins with snow and frost to the 6  
 day, from that to the 15 fleet with cold winds, then to  
 the 19, more fair and temperat. from that to the end,  
 cold frosty weather.

Honey and Eggs now in this month are very wholesome, salt powdered  
 meats are good, Ginger, Pulse, Goats Milk are all very whole-  
 some and profitable to the body, for that they increase blood, and causes  
 a good color; Cannel put among drink gives health, & is commendable.

Hallowday in Edinburgh 8. days, in Falkland, Dumblane, Forde  
 the first day: in Alathy the 2. in Kilwinning the 3. at Fyfeburgh the  
 first Tuesday. S. Leonard in Lanerk Forres the 6. Bocklyvie in the  
 Parish of Kippen, of horse, neat, and sheep, and other commodi-  
 ties, and a weekly Market every Tuesday the 7. S. Martin in Dum-  
 bar, Melroch, Martinskirk, Strabog, Cowper of Fife, Hamilton,  
 Culroch, Kilmabug the 11. S. Clement in Dundie the 13. S. Helens at  
 Grinock the 15. Margaretmas fair in Dumfermling the 16. at Blyth  
 and Peterhead the Tuesday thereafter: at Barrowstouness the 18. S.  
 18 Nov. a new Fair in Rugland, Horse, Cows, & other commodities.  
 Macharmuch in Tane and Auchtermueil the 22. Burntiland the 23.  
 Maiden fair the 24. Andermas fair in Stradown, and in Fraser-  
 burgh the 29. S. Andr. in S. Johnston, Peebles & Chirnside the 30. day

**XXI. December begins on Tuesday.**

The Sun riseth 37. min. after 8. and sets 23. min. after 3.

Last qu. on Sund. the 6 day, 50 min. past 1 in the afternoon.

Change on Mond. the 14 day, 58 min. past 8 in the morning.

Second qu. on Mond. the 21 day, 30 min. past 4 in the morning.

Full Moon on Mond. the 28 day, 14 m past 9 in the morn' This

This moneth begins with  
from thence to the 15, frosty weather, the  
with very untemperate weather.

Cannel, Mace, Nut-meg, Ginger, Grains, Cloves Galinga.  
such like, often drunk in drink, or eaten in this moneth, do ch  
the blood, the heart, and all the body; Onions either in sauce, or  
fed, are very good: These considerations I thought necessary to add  
because they may benefit many, and hurt none; for care in a right Re-  
giment of Dyer and order, consists our natural will being.

At Ransfrew the 6. S. Nicolas in Aberdene the 7. Bellie  
fair, & Lady day in westweems the 8. S. Dunstone in Bamff at  
the Kirk of Dier & Rothemay the 14. S. Cuthbert in the Grange,  
within the Sheriffdom of Linlithgow the 17. S. Thomas in Glas-  
grew the 15. and Innerness the 20. S. Johns day in Bamff and  
Forres, and Levenmouth the 27. day.

### Advertisment for new Fairs in the North.

First, S. Valentines Fair at the Kirk of Metblich, on the 13. and  
14. of Februar. St. Anas Fair at the Town of Tarves, on the 13.  
and 14. of March, St. George, at the Kirk of Metblich the 23. and  
24. of April. St. Margrat at Tarves, the 17. and 18. of July. S.  
Martins at Tarves, the 10. and 11. of Sept, St. Targlen at Tarves,  
on the 16. and 17. of October. St. Denick at Metblich, 13. and  
14. of November. St. Andrew at Tarves the 4. 5. of December.

### Of Fairs within the Shyre of Angus.

S. Colmes which stands on Muirsketh, near the Kirk of C  
shire, 22. of July S. Ninians upon the Muir of Allib upon the  
first Tuesday before Whitsunday, Marie fair, upon Keith Muir, the  
11. of September. S. Davids upon Keith Muir. the 2. of October,  
each of the aforesaid Four Fairs stands four days.

Four Fairs in the Town of Falkirk: on Fair upon the First of  
May. The second is, on the 9 of July. The third is, on the 17.  
August. And the last is, on the 26 of October.

Advertisment for four new Fairs belonging to Sir W  
Ham Grubame, within the Shyre of Perth, with an weekly  
Market, every Wednesday, to be kept at the Town of  
Midlethird of Gartmore.



on the 5 of May. The second  
on the 16 of July. The third, Gartmore, on  
the 16 of October. The fourth, Saint Johns Fair, on the 28  
of November.

Advertisement, These are to give Notice to all Concerned, that  
there are two New-Fairs belonging to the Laird of Dunfermline,  
the first is at Kintrossie, in the Paroch of Collieston, upon the 1  
day of June, and continues 3 dayes. The second is one the  
day of November, and continues 2 dayes.



*We be too serious, and ere Melancholy  
surprize us, let us have a fit of  
Doctor Merry-man.*

**A** Countrey fellow had a dream, which did his mind smite  
That starting up he wakes his Wife, and thus to her he saith  
Oh, Woman rise, and help your Goose: for even the  
Is presently at point to die, unless her life you save. ( we have  
On either side of her, I see an hungry Fox doth sit,  
But staying upon courtship, who shall begin first bite.  
Husband, quoth she, if this be all, I can your dream expound  
The perfect meaning of the same, I instantly have found.  
The Goose betwixt two Foxes plac'd which in your sleep you saw  
Is you your self that prove a Goose, in going still to Law :  
On either side a Lawyer sits, and they do feathers pull,  
That in the end you will be left a bare and naked Gull.  
Wife, in good truth, quoth he, I think, thou art just in the right  
My purse can witness to my grief, they do begin to bite.  
I do resolve another course, and much commend thy wit,  
I'll leave the Gooses part for them that have a mind to it.  
And if thou ever find that I to lawing humors fall,  
Let me be hang'd at Westminster, Wife, Ple forsaake the Hall.

Anoth

*Another, but of another Subject.*

**A**N aged Gentle-man fore sick did ly,  
Expecting life: that could not choose but dy:  
His fool came to him, and intreated thus:

Good Master, ere you go away from us,  
Bestow on Jack (that oft hath made you laugh)  
Again he waxeth old, your walking staff.

I will, quoth he, go take it: there it is;  
But on condition, Jack, which shall be this:  
If thou dost meet with any whilst thou lives,  
More fool then thou, the staff thou shalt him give.

Master, said he, upon my life I will;  
But I do hope that I shall keep it still,  
When death drew near, and faintness did proceed,  
His Master calls for a Divine with speed,  
For to prepare him unto heavens way.

The fool starts up, and hastily doth say,  
Oh, Master, Master, take your staff again.  
That proves your self the most fool of us twain.  
Have you liv'd now some fourscore years and odd,  
And all this while are unprepar'd for God:

What greater fool can any meet withall,  
Then one that's ready in the Grave to fall,  
And is to seek about his souls estate:  
When death is opening of the prison gate?

But witness, friends, that I discharge me plain:  
Here, Master, here receive your staff again,  
Upon the same condition I did take it;  
According as you willed me, I forsake it:

And over and above, I will bestow,  
This Epitaph, which shall your folly show.

Here lyes a Man, at death did heaven claim;  
But in his life he never sought the same.

Turn over, and so good-night.

from the 16  
a precise TAYLOR.

Sad Taylor, a man of an upright dealing,  
 the True, but for lynnig; honest but for stealing;  
 A fall one day extremely sick by chance,  
 And on a sudden fell in a wondrous trance.  
 The Fiends of Hell must ring in fearful manners  
 Of sundry colour'd Silks display'd a Banner  
 Which he had stoln; and wish'd, as they did tell,  
 That he might one day find it all in Hell.  
 The man abashed at this Apparition,  
 Upon Recovery; grew a great Physician.  
 He bought a Bible of the new Translation;  
 And in his life he shew'd great Reformation:  
 He walk'd demurely, and he talked meekly,  
 He heard two Lectures, and two Sermons weekly;  
 He vow'd to shun all company untruly,  
 And in his speech he us'd no Oath but Truly:  
 And zealously to help the Sabbath rest,  
 The meat for that day on the Eve was dress'd;  
 And lest the custom that he had to steal,  
 Might cause him sometimes to forget his zeal  
 He gives his Journey men a special charge;  
 That if the stuff allow'd fall out too large,  
 And to filch his fingers was inclin'd,  
 Herben should put the Banner in his mind.  
 This done, I scarce can tell the rest for laughter,  
 A Captain of a Ship came three days after,  
 And bought three yards of Velves and three quarters,  
 To make his vest so large to dangle below his garters.  
 Herben precisely knew what was enough,  
 Soon slip away a quarter of the stuff;  
 His man espying it, said in derision,  
 Remember Maker, how you saw the Vision.  
 Peace Fool, quoth he, I did not see one rag,  
 Of such like colour'd stuff within the Bag.

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in London



